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Solving Equations

1. Find the values of
- x
- where the equality is true:

$$x^3 + 4x^2 + 3x = 0$$

$$x(x^2 + 4x + 3) = 0$$

$$x(x+3)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -3 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -1$$

2. Find the values of
- x
- where the equality is true:

$$x^2 + 4x + 4 = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$x^2 + 4x + 3 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$(x+3)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$x = -3 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -1$$

3. Find the values of
- x
- where the equality is true:

$$\frac{(x+1)(x-2)}{(x+4)(x-6)} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$(x+1)(x-2) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$x = -1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 2$$

Remember:

$$\frac{a}{b} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$a = 0$$

4. Find the values of
- x
- where the equality is true:

$$(x-1) \cdot \frac{x^2 + 5x + 3}{x-1} = 1 \cdot (x-1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$x^2 + 5x + 3 = x - 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$x^2 + 4x + 4 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$(x+2)(x+2) = 0$$

this is true

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$x = -2$$

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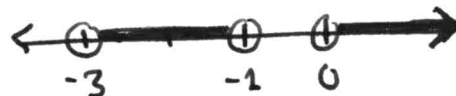
Solving Inequalities

1. Find the set of x where the inequality is true:

true for x in $(-3, 1) \cup (0, \infty)$

First: find where = holds

$$x^3 + 4x^2 + 3x > 0$$



$$x(x^2 + 4x + 3) > 0$$

$$x(x+3)(x+1) > 0$$

~~Plot with closed circles~~
 $x = 0, -3, -1$

Plot with open circle since the inequality is FALSE at $x = 0, -3, -1$

CHECK each interval

$$x = -4 \Rightarrow (-4)(-4+3)(-4+1) = (-4)(-1)(-3) \quad \times$$

$$x = -2 \Rightarrow (-2)(-2+3)(-2+1) = (-2)(1)(-1) \quad \checkmark$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}+3\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(3.5)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 1.4 \cdot 2 \quad \checkmark$$

2. Find the set of x where the inequality is true:

First: = holds when $x = -2$ or $x = -3$

$$x^2 + 5x + 6 \leq 0$$



$$(x+2)(x+3) \leq 0$$

Plot with closed circle since inequality is TRUE at $x = -2, -3$

CHECK each interval

$$x = -4 \Rightarrow (-4+2)(-4+3) = (-2)(-1) = 2 \quad \times$$

$$x = -2.5 \Rightarrow (-2.5+2)(-2.5+3) = (-0.5)(0.5) \quad \checkmark$$

$$x = 0 \Rightarrow (0+2)(0+3) = 2 \cdot 3 \quad \times$$

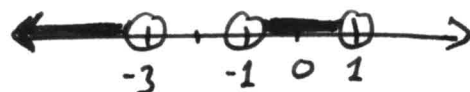
true for x in $[-3, -2]$

3. Find the set of x where the inequality is true:

First: = holds when $x = -3$

~~Plot with closed circle~~ (plot with open circle because of $<$)

$$\frac{x+3}{(x+1)(x-1)} < 0$$



Second: undefined when $x = 1$ or $x = -1$ (always plot with open circle)

CHECK each interval

$$x = -4 \Rightarrow \frac{-4+3}{(-4+1)(-4-1)} = \frac{-1}{(-3)(-5)} = \frac{1}{15} \quad \checkmark$$

$$x = -2 \Rightarrow \frac{-2+3}{(-2+1)(-2-1)} = \frac{1}{(-1)(-3)} = \frac{1}{3} \quad \times$$

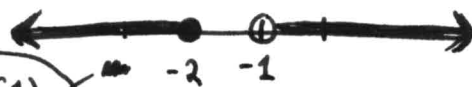
$$x = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{0+3}{(0+1)(0-1)} = \frac{3}{(1)(-1)} = -3 \quad \checkmark$$

$$x = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{2+3}{(2+1)(2-1)} = \frac{5}{3 \cdot 1} = \frac{5}{3} \quad \times$$

true for x in $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-1, 1)$

4. Find the set of x where the inequality is true:

$$\frac{(x+2)}{(x+1)} = \frac{(x+2)(x+3)}{(x+1)(x+3)} = \frac{x^2 + 5x + 6}{x^2 + 4x + 3} \geq 0$$



First: = holds when $x = -2$ (plot with closed circle because of \geq)

Second: undefined at $x = -1$ (plot w/ open circle)

Check: each interval

$$x = -3 \Rightarrow \frac{(-3+2)}{(-3+1)} = \frac{-1}{-2} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$x = -1.5 \Rightarrow \frac{(-1.5+2)}{(-1.5+1)} = \frac{.5}{-.5} = -1 \quad \times$$

$$x = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{0+2}{0+1} = \frac{2}{1} = 2 \quad \checkmark$$

true for x in $(-\infty, -2] \cup (-1, \infty)$

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Functions

1. Define in words what it means for $f(x)$ to be a "function".

$f(x)$ is a function
if each input gives ONE output

2. Let $f(x) = x^2 + x + 1$. Find $f(0)$, $f(1)$, and $f(2)$.

$$f(0) = (0)^2 + (0) + 1 = 1$$

$$f(1) = (1)^2 + (1) + 1 = 3$$

$$f(2) = (2)^2 + (2) + 1 = 4 + 2 + 1 = 7$$

3. Let $f(x) = x^2 + x + 1$. Write down and simplify $f(x+1)$ and $\frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h}$.

$$f(x+1) = (x+1)^2 + (x+1) + 1$$

$$= x^2 + 2x + 1 + x + 1 + 1$$

$$= x^2 + 3x + 3$$

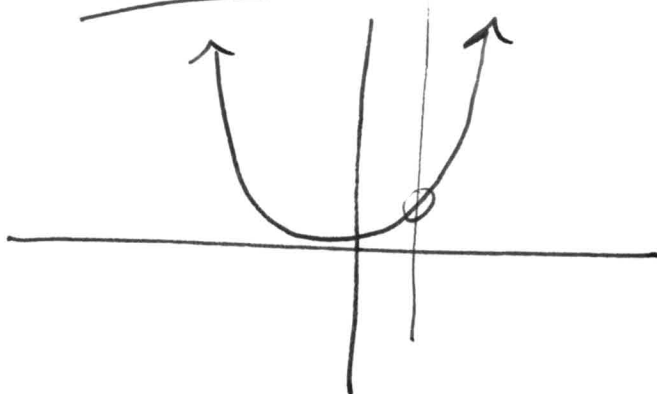
$$\frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h} = \frac{[(1+h)^2 + (1+h) + 1] - [1^2 + 1 + 1]}{h}$$

$$= \frac{1 + 2h + h^2 + 1 + h + 1 - 3}{h}$$

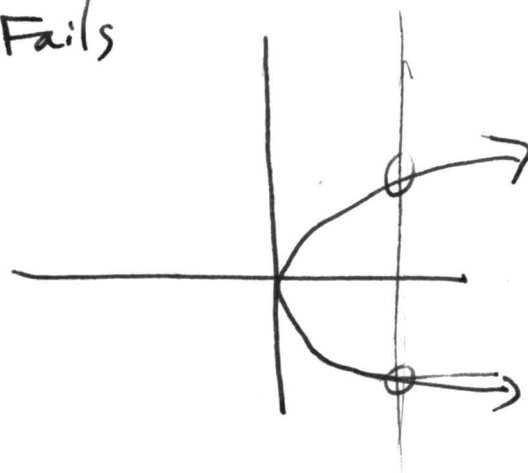
$$= \frac{h^2 + 3h}{h} = h + 3$$

4. Sketch one graph that passes the vertical line test, and one that fails the vertical line test.

Passes:



Fails



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5. Define the "domain" of a function $f(x)$ in words.

the domain of f
 is the set of numbers x
 where $f(x)$ is defined

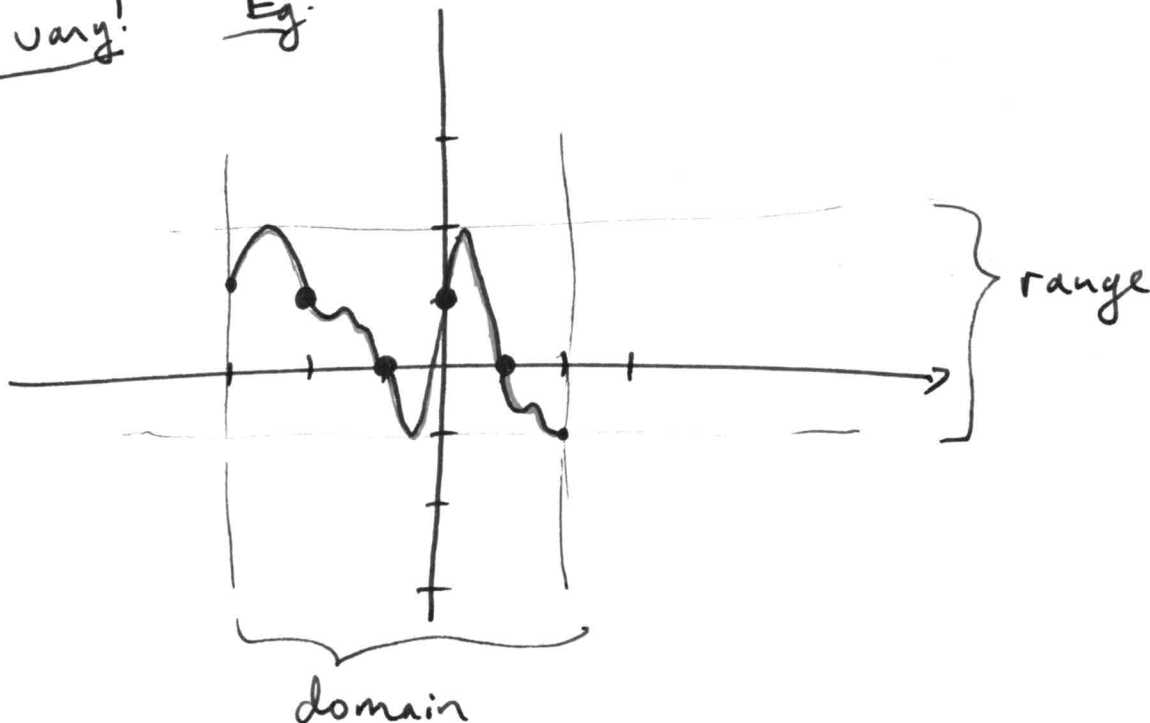
6. Define the "range" of a function in words.

the range of f
 is the set of numbers y
output by f
 (that is: the y s.t. $f(x) = y$ for some $\#x$)

7. Sketch the graph of a function with domain $[-3, 2]$ and range $[-1, 2]$ such that $f(-2) = 1$, $f(-1) = 0$, $f(0) = 1$, and $f(1) = 0$.

your answer
 may vary!

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Finding Domains Algebraically

1. Find the domain of $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

\sqrt{x} is defined $\Leftrightarrow x \geq 0$



Domain = $[0, \infty)$

2. Find the domain of $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$

$\sqrt{x+1}$ is defined $\Leftrightarrow x+1 \geq 0$

$\Leftrightarrow x \geq -1$



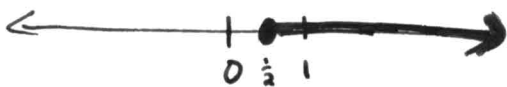
Domain = $[-1, \infty)$

3. Find the domain of $f(x) = \sqrt{2x-1}$

$\sqrt{2x-1}$ is defined $\Leftrightarrow 2x-1 \geq 0$

$\Leftrightarrow 2x \geq 1$

$\Leftrightarrow x \geq \frac{1}{2}$



Domain = $[\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$

4. Find the domain of $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{(x-1)(x+7)}$

$f(x)$ is defined $\Leftrightarrow (x-1)(x+1) \neq 0$
 $\Leftrightarrow x \neq 1$ AND $x \neq -1$

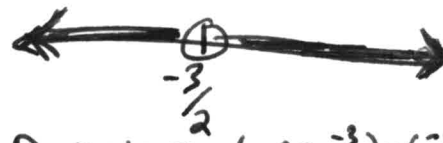


Domain = $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$

5. Find the domain of $f(x) = \frac{1}{(2x+3)^2}$

$f(x)$ is defined $\Leftrightarrow (2x+3)^2 \neq 0$

$\Leftrightarrow 2x+3 \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow x \neq -\frac{3}{2}$

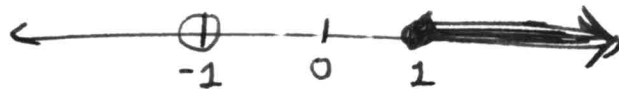


Domain = $(-\infty, -\frac{3}{2}) \cup (-\frac{3}{2}, \infty)$

6. Find the domain of $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x-1}}{x+1}$

$f(x)$ is defined \Leftrightarrow BOTH $x-1 \geq 0$
AND $x \neq -1$

\Leftrightarrow BOTH $x \geq 1$
AND $x \neq -1$

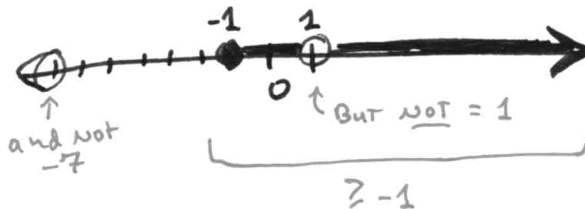


Domain = $[1, \infty)$

7. Find the domain of $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x+1}}{(x-1)(x+7)}$

$f(x)$ is defined \Leftrightarrow BOTH $x+1 \geq 0$
AND $x \neq 1$
AND $x \neq -7$

\Leftrightarrow BOTH $x \geq -1$
AND $x \neq 1$ AND $x \neq -7$



Domain = $[-1, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$

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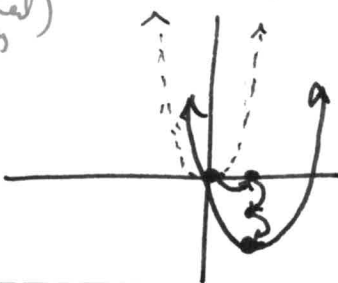
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Sketching Quadratics

1. Sketch the graph and find the vertex of $f(x) = 2(x-1)^2 - 2$ ① Start with $2x^2$ (x^2 stretched vertically)

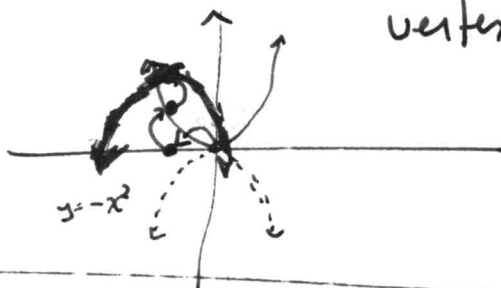
② move right 1

③ move down 2

vertex is $(1, -2)$ 2. Sketch the graph and find the vertex of $g(x) = -1(x+1)^2 + 2$ ① Start with x^2 ② reflect across x -axis

③ move left 1

④ move up 2

vertex is $(-1, 2)$

3. Sketch the graph of the quadratic function by first completing the square.

$$h(x) = x^2 + 6x - 8$$

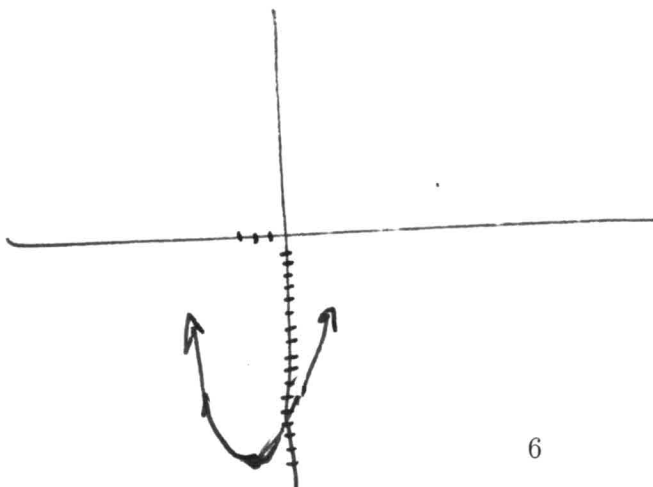
$$= x^2 + 6x + \frac{9}{1} - \frac{9}{1} - 8$$

$$= (x+3)(x+3) - 9 - 8$$

$$h(x) = (x+3)^2 - 17$$

so $h(x)$ is x^2 moved ① left 3

② down 17



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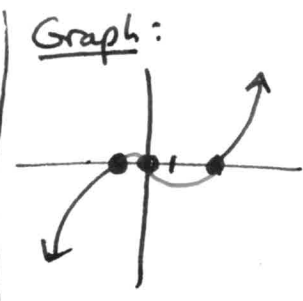
Sketching Polynomials

1. Sketch the graph of the polynomial $f(x) = x(x+1)(x-2)$

leading term is x^3

(1) End behavior: leading term is x^3
 \Rightarrow

(3) check when positive/negative



(2) $f(x) = 0$
 $x(x+1)(x-2) = 0$
 $x = 0$ or $x = -1$ or $x = 2$

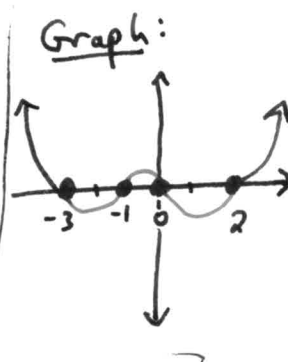
$x = -2 \Rightarrow f(-2) = \dots = (-2)(-1)(-4) \ominus$
 $x = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow f(-\frac{1}{2}) = \dots = (-\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2})(-\frac{5}{2}) \oplus$
 $x = 1 \Rightarrow f(1) = \dots = (1)(2)(-1) \ominus$
 $x = 3 \Rightarrow f(3) = \dots = (3)(4)(1) \oplus$

leading term is x^4

2. Sketch the graph of the polynomial $g(x) = x(x+1)(x-2)(x+3)$

(1) End Behavior: leading term is x^4
 \Rightarrow

(3) check when positive/negative



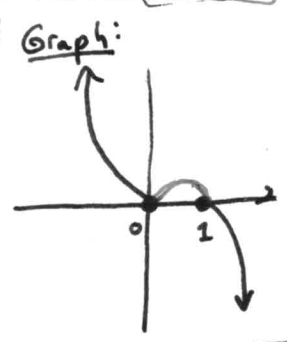
(2) $f(x) = 0$
 $x(x+1)(x-2)(x+3) = 0$
 $x = 0$ or $x = -1$ or $x = 2$ or $x = -3$

$x = -4 \Rightarrow f(-4) = (-4)(-3)(-6)(-1) \oplus$
 $x = -2 \Rightarrow f(-2) = (-2)(-1)(-4)(1) \ominus$
 $x = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow f(-\frac{1}{2}) = (-\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2})(-2.5)(2.5) \oplus$
 $x = 3 \Rightarrow f(3) = 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 6 \oplus$

3. Sketch the graph of the polynomial $h(x) = -x^2(x-1)$ ← (leading term is $-x^3$)

(1) End behavior
 leading term is $-x^3$
 \Rightarrow

(3) Check when positive/negative



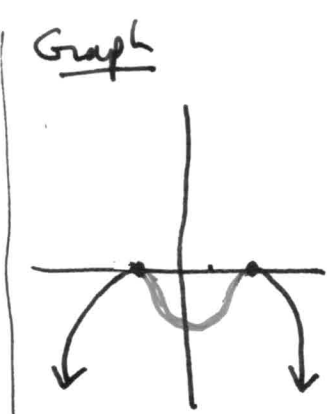
(2) $f(x) = 0$
 $-x^2(x-1) = 0$
 $x = 0$ or $x = 1$

$x = -1 \Rightarrow f(-1) = -(-1)^2(-1-1) = -(1)(-2) \oplus$
 $x = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow f(\frac{1}{2}) = -(\frac{1}{2})^2(\frac{1}{2}-1) = -(\frac{1}{2})(-\frac{1}{2}) \oplus$
 $x = 2 \Rightarrow f(2) = -(2)^2(2-1) = -4(1) \ominus$

4. Sketch the graph of the polynomial $p(x) = -4(x+1)^2(x-2)^2$ ← (leading term is $-4x^4$)

(1) End Behavior
 leading term is $-4x^4$

(3) Check when positive/negative



(2) $f(x) = 0$
 $-4(x+1)^2(x-2)^2 = 0$
 $x = -1$
 $x = 2$

$x = -2 \Rightarrow f(-2) = -4(-2+1)^2(-2-2)^2 = -4(-1)^2(-4)^2 \ominus$
 $x = 0 \Rightarrow f(0) = -4(0+1)^2(0-2)^2 \ominus$
 $x = 3 \Rightarrow f(3) = -4(3+1)^2(3-2)^2 \ominus$

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Sketching Rational Functions

1. Sketch the graph of the rational function

$$f(x) = \frac{x + 1}{(x - 1)(x + 2)}$$

2. Sketch the graph of the rational function

$$g(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x - 1}$$

3. Sketch the graph of the rational function

$$h(x) = \frac{2x + 3}{7x - 4}$$